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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of OOSAKA, SHIGENORI, ASAMI, KATUO, YOZAWA,
HITOSHI, IKARI, KAZUO, MISAWA, TAKESHI, OI, NAKAO ET AL.
FILM IMAGE INPUT SYSTEM
Our Ref: Q64236

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 09/417,364 (Confirmation No. Not yet assigned) filed October 13, 1999 of OOSAKA, SHIGENORI, ASAMI, KATUO, YOZAWA, HITOSHI, IKARI, KAZUO, MISAWA, TAKESHI, OI, NAKAO ET AL. entitled FILM IMAGE INPUT SYSTEM.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 54 sheets of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement, a PTO Form 1449 listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the parent application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 2612.

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

--This is a divisional of Application No. 09/417,364 filed October 13, 1999, which is a divisional of Application No. 09/271,299 filed March 17, 1999, which is a divisional of Application No. 08/379,281 filed January 27, 1995, which is a division of Application No. 08/093,140 filed July 19, 1993 later abandoned, which is a continuation of Application No. 07/755,475 filed September 5, 1991 later abandoned, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.--

Cancel claims: 1-45 and 47-50

The priority documents were filed in great great-grandparent Application No. 08/093,140.

Priority is claimed from:

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Japanese Patent Application No.</u> |
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A check for the statutory fee of \$710.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,
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